









# CHINA MAIL LTD. FINED FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT

The China Mail Limited, its printer, publisher and business manager, and the acting editor, were fined a total of HK\$7,000 by the Full Court yesterday for contempt of Court.

Mr. Leo d'Almada, KC, who together with Mr. John McNeill represented all the respondents, offered an apology in the fullest terms on their behalf.

The Company was fined \$3,000. Mr. W. H. Nalloth was fined \$1,000, and Mr. J. I. MacKenzie, \$3,000.

The contempt concerned was published in the issue of the newspaper on September 30, which contained items tending to bring the administration of the criminal law by the judges and magistrates of this Colony into disrepute and disregard.

The Hon. J.B. Griffin, KC, Attorney General, assisted by Mr. A. Epton, Crown Counsel, was for the Crown.

The items complained of in the issue of the newspaper in question were the leading article and two letters in the correspondence column. One of the letters was headed "Local Justice", and the other "Heads I Win Tails You Lose".

Mr. d'Almada and Mr. McNeill were instructed by Mr. D.H. Blake of Wilkinson and Grist. On October 2, the Full Court had issued an order nisi to the respondents to show cause why writs of attachment should not be issued against them for contempt of Court.

Before Mr. d'Almada pleaded for mitigation the Attorney General informed the Bench that a further affidavit had been filed since the order nisi was made. It was an affidavit of the first clerk of the Kowloon Magistracy. Attached to it was a record of the case referred to in the letters to the "China Mail".

"The record is before Your Lordships, so that if you see fit you may form your own impression as to the proceedings which he has recorded and on which the magistrate took his decision," said Mr. Griffin.

The Chief Justice remarked that the Court was not concerned with whether the decision was right or wrong.

Mr. d'Almada said he had been instructed to offer an apology to the Court in the fullest terms on behalf of all three respondents, none of whom sought to justify the articles complained of and which they admitted were in contempt of Court.

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the public. He was concerned only with what Lord Justice Darling had to say vis-a-vis the Press.

### Over-Zealousness

"In our case, our previous articles as well as the leading article complained of in these proceedings were written because this newspaper has always been jealous of the good name of British justice, and anxious that any opinion which might be held to the contrary should be dispelled, and the good name of British justice should not be sullied."

"You may say this was a curious way of achieving the desired aim, but these articles have been written, the letters from Simple Simon and Nicholas arrived in the office of the 'China Mail' after this case in the Kowloon court was decided, which indicated to the editor of this newspaper that certain members of the public at least held views which it was felt, gravely reflected against the administration of justice in Hong Kong, and with the object of drawing attention to that the leader of September 30 was written."

"That leader contained the most unhappy and regrettable choice of language inciting the views of the respondents and other persons referred to in the leader, though not by name, and I ask your Lordships to believe that this was born of over-zealousness on the part of the acting editor in the interest of administration of justice in this Colony."

"Once more on his behalf do I tender apologies to this Court and do I say that these imputations are unreservedly withdrawn."

"The Chief Justice remarked that whether the decision was right or wrong, the magistrate showed a great deal more care than the writers of the letters before launching a public criticism."

Mr. d'Almada said he agreed entirely, and it showed that if any complaint could be found in connection with these proceedings, that might be laid perhaps at the door of the prosecution rather than blame be attached to the Court.

"I now turn from that case to the circumstances in which the leading article in this case was written, and in order to make the position of my clients clear it is necessary for me to place some facts before your Lordships, facts which are almost entirely unconnected with the matters in question."

"The 'China Mail' is the oldest newspaper in Hong Kong. It is almost as old as this Colony, having been established in 1845 and having a record of unbroken publication except for the period of the Japanese occupation. It has always been a paper noted for its outspokenness. It has always held the principle that the function of a newspaper in a Colony like Hong Kong, is, among other things, to bring to the attention of Government and the authorities matters which in its opinion require investigation or correction. On that point of view the delivery of the opinion of the Judicial Committee in the case of McLeod and St. Aubin, reported in Annual Cases of 1899, page 561, that the Courts were satisfied to leave to public opinion attacks or comments derogatory or scandalous to them, it was questionable whether if this letter stood alone the Attorney General would have seen fit to institute these proceedings."

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## Luncheon For Mr. Pentreath



Mr. George Pentreath, founder of Pentreath and Company, was guest of honour at a luncheon at the Jockey Club, Happy Valley, yesterday. Mr. Pentreath is seen first from left. On his left is the host, Mr. E. G. Price. ("China Mail" Photo).

### Crown's Reply

The Attorney General, replying for the Crown, said:

"My learned friend, on behalf of his clients, has made it clear that his clients most unreservedly apologise, and express their regret for the matters which have initiated these proceedings. My task is therefore easy. It is not incumbent upon me to employ the names of cases, notably the Gray case, the St. Aubin case, and I believe the 'Evening Standard' case. I have this comment to urge in this case of contempt."

"In these cases the contempt was a contempt because of an attack on individual judges and judges. These contempts were regarded, not as in the St. Aubin case, but in others as indeed serious. But for one reason or another, a very lenient view was taken by the Court."

"However, the parallel between these cases and this one with which we are concerned today is not entirely equal, because while in the Gray case, for instance, there was also a very clear analogy, yet in such a case as the Gray case the contempt was merely against a single individual judge."

"My first comment is that in the case we are concerned with today there has been the very gravest contempt by far, because there has been the imputation of improper motive and of racial bias made against not merely an individual judge or individual magistrates, but against the entire Courts of Hong Kong."

"The second comment that I would urge is this, and I urge it because the suggestion comes to me from the very wording of the leading article of the 'China Mail' of September 30. Towards the end, I think, of the second last paragraph, of that leading article, the following words occur: 'To say that such an impression is extremely unfortunate in times like these is to put it very mildly.'"

"This is a sweeping assertion of the existence of improper motive and racial bias, acting the Courts of the Colony. It was unfortunate, not only because it is untrue as conceded by my learned friend, and because, to quote from the leading article, in times like these, a general attack upon the administration of justice is particularly unfortunate since it is so clear that upon that administration we have the foundation, and the only real foundation, for peace, order and good government and for the well-being of the inhabitants of this Colony."

"He is a young man whose future may be gravely affected by the penalty which your Lordships will pass upon him."

"Only a fortnight ago it was my misfortune to appear before your Lordships in similar proceedings against another paper. In that case I addressed your Lordships on the subject of 'punishment which may in a case of this kind be by fine or imprisonment or both.' I pointed out that the object of punishment in a case of this kind was deterrent rather than punitive. In that case your Lordships saw fit to impose the penalty of a fine, or, in fact, on all the parties concerned."

"'Worse Case'"

"That was a case which I respectfully submit was a worse case than this one, in that it tended to interfere with the fair trial of pending proceedings. In other words it tended seriously to damage the case of the accused."

"Here the contempt consists of serious charges against our Court and I venture to say that our Courts have a sufficient high reputation, and are sufficiently confident of their own right not to fear the consequences of such an attack."

"If I may refer once more to the words of Lord Morris, 'the Courts are satisfied to leave to public opinion attacks or comments derogatory or scandalous to them,' that does not mean to say that committal proceedings are not warranted on certain occasions."

"In the case of a fortnight ago you made it clear that in this Court there is no distinction made between different races, different creeds or persons holding different political views, and obviously that something which applies equally to the hearing of any action, the trial of an offence, and the sentence to be passed upon guilt has been found or admitted."

"I am confident that in this case your Lordships will go upon the same principle. I am confident that, weighing the circumstances of this case as against those of the 'Hwa Shing Po', your Lordships will come to no other conclusion than that in so far as the object of committal proceedings are concerned, the publicity obtained by these proceedings plus an apology in the fullest terms made by my clients in this case sufficiently attains the object of deterring similar transgression in the future, and that in so far as punishment is concerned, that will be met by the imposition of a fine."

"Chief Justice's Remarks"

"Giving his decision after a brief consultation with the Puisne Judge, Sir Leslie declared: 'We will give our decision now. These proceedings have been brought by the Attorney General for contempt of Court by the proprietors, the printer and publisher, and the editor of the 'China Mail'. The contempt of Court is contained in a leading article in the issue of that paper on September 30 this year and in two letters published in that same issue of the paper."

## Reminders

### Today

Kowloon Gramophone Society concert of classical music, Diocesan Boys' School, 8.15 p.m.

Double Tenth Race Meeting (first Day) Happy Valley Soccer, First and Second Division matches Annual Swimming Championships, Victoria Recreation Club, 9.30 p.m.

Special Concert, arranged by Miss Lila Vincent, (for troops, members and friends), European YMCA, 8 p.m.

Coming Events TOMORROW

Toc H classical Concert, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

HK Art Club sketching party, members to assemble at Queen's Pier, 2.30 p.m. (details from Mr. Nobbings; Tel: 30709)

MONDAY

Double Tenth Race Meeting (Second Day) Race Course, Happy Valley

Chinese National Day Reception by Mr. T. W. Kwok, special commission for Foreign Affairs; 10, Po Shan Road, 11.30 a.m.

Whist Drive (for civilians and Services), European YMCA, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Urban Council meeting, GPO Bldg, 4.15 p.m.

HK Rotary Club, luncheon at Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Bridge Drive (for civilians and Services), European YMCA, 8 p.m.

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"This is a very serious form of contempt. No judge or magistrate claims infallibility. Those who are appointed to judge their fellow-men have a very difficult task. They know that it is a difficult task and they realise that their decisions might be open to criticism. Criticism of decisions of judges and magistrates is permitted subject to certain quite well-known exceptions. Sometimes the criticism is informed criticism; sometimes it is criticism with some ulterior motive, sometimes it is entirely uninformed criticism—the criticism which springs from ignorance or even stupidity. Nevertheless, it is allowed subject to certain exceptions. The main and perhaps the best known exception is that you may not impute to judges and magistrates in the performance of their judicial functions partiality or improper motives."

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## Further Evidence In Murder Trial

Further evidence for the prosecution was given at the Ticket Scalper murder trial at the Criminal Sessions yesterday before Mr. Justice Gould, Puisne Judge.

Lei Wai, a cousin of a ticket scalper, who testified at the previous hearing that he had been kidnapped by a gang of men on the evening of May 7, was still in the box when hearing resumed until Tuesday morning.

The accused in the dock before an all-Jury are Chan Kam-chuen, alias Ah Tsai, Chan Kam-chuen, alias Nga Tsai, Kwun Hung, alias Lang Hung, Leung Kau, and Li Wing, alias Tai Shan.

Mr. V.J.L. Dalton, instructed by Mr. A. J. Arculli, is representing the first second and fifth members to assemble at Queen's Pier, 2.30 p.m. (details from Mr. Nobbings; Tel: 30709)

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- | Cemetery  | Sections   | Year of Burial        |
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| 1. The Kai Lung Wan Ceme-<br>tery, East                   | All graves, other than<br>those in Chiu Chow<br>Section  | 1942-1945             |
| 2. The Kai Lung Wan Ceme-<br>tery, West                   | All graves, other than<br>(a) those in the Fu-<br>kien section; and<br>(b) the private ones<br>of the Tung Wah<br>Hospital; not in<br>the General<br>Public Sections 1942-1945 |                       |
| 3. The Kai Lung Wan West<br>Extension Cemetery            | All graves, other than<br>(a) those in the Fu-<br>kien section; and<br>(b) the private ones<br>of the Tung Wah<br>Hospital; not in<br>the General<br>Public Sections 1942-1945 |                       |
| 4. The Kai Lung Wan East<br>(Urn) Cemetery                | All urns in the Gov-<br>ernment, Private and<br>Tung Wah Hospital<br>Sections  | All Years             |
| 5. The Mount Davis Ceme-<br>tery                          | All graves and urns  | All Years             |
| 6. The Sham Wan Cemetery                                  | All graves   | 1942-1945<br>All urns |
| 7. The New Kowloon Ceme-<br>tery No. 7 (Ngau Chi<br>Wan)  | All graves   | 1945 only             |
| 8. The Kowloon Tong Ceme-<br>tery                         | All graves and urns  | All Years             |
| 9. The Sai Yu Shek (Old)<br>Cemetery                      | All graves   | All Years             |
| 10. The Sai Yu Shek (Urn)<br>Cemetery                     | All urns   | All Years             |
| 11. The New Kowloon Ceme-<br>tery No. 8 (Diamond<br>Hill) | All urns in the Gov-<br>ernment sections<br>only   | 1945-1948             |

The remains removed from the following sites, if not  
claimed before the date of exhumation and removal, will  
be cremated at the Government Crematorium and the ashes  
reburied in the Sandy Ridge (Urn) Cemetery or such other  
Cemetery as the Government may provide:

- Trenches in the New Kowloon Cemetery No. 7.
- Trenches and Pits in the Kai Lung Wan Cemetery, West  
and the Kai Lung Wan West Extension Cemetery.
- Government urn section in the Sai Yu Shek (Urn)  
Cemetery.
- Government urn section in the Kai Lung Wan Ceme-  
tery, East.
- Government urn section in the New Kowloon Cemetery  
No. 8.

All other remains exhumed and removed will be re-  
buried in the Sandy Ridge (Urn) Cemetery at Lo Wu or  
such other Cemetery as the Government may provide.

Any person wishing to arrange for the private exuma-  
tion or removal of any of the graves mentioned in 1 to  
11 of the first part of this notice should apply to the Sec-  
retary, Urban Council, before April 1, 1950, for the necessary  
permit.

N. B. M. WHITLEY,  
Secretary, Urban Council.

Hong Kong, October 4, 1949.

NOTICE TO MARINERS  
NO. 24 OF 1949

HONG HONG WATERS:

VICTORIA HARBOUR

Establishment of Wreck

Marking Light Buoy

Position—Harbour Mooring

buoy A-15.

Details.—Wreck marking

Light buoy, painted green ex-

hibiting a green light with a

flash of one second every three

seconds.

Remarks.—Light buoy will

be laid on, or about October

15, 1949.

Charts affected—3280.

Previous Notice to Mariners.

No. 20 of 1949.

Authority.—Marine Depart-

ment, Hong Kong.

N. GARLAND,

Acting

Director of Marine.

Marine Office,

Hong Kong, October 5, 1949.

By Order,

D. L. PROPHET,

Actg. Secretary.

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# DECISION ON GENERAL ELECTIONS TO BE TAKEN NEXT THURSDAY

London, October 6.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, will await the return of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, before deciding whether to hold an early general election.  
A Cabinet meeting has been arranged for next Thursday—five days before the return of Parliament for its regular autumn sitting.

# FOG BLANKETS ENGLAND

London, October 6.

The first bad fog of the autumn blanketed Southern Britain and its seaports today. It caused the wreck of a freighter in the Solent, and hampered air and road traffic.

The 6,300-ton motor ship *Frantes*, boring through thick mist, went on to the Seven Stones Rock in the Solent, about seven miles off England's South West tip.

Reports to the mainland said the crew of about 50 was picked up by a rescue boat and that the *Frantes* was a complete wreck. No casualties were reported.

The *Fantes*, whose captain is Mr. J. W. Andrew, is owned by the Elder Dempster Lines of Liverpool, was bound from West Africa via Amsterdam to Liverpool with general cargo.

Trains, shipping and airlines were delayed throughout Britain. Visibility was down to a few yards in the English Channel.

Later the fog cleared and the weather became sunny. — Associated Press.

Louis, October 6.  
Robert E. Hargan, former U.S. Postmaster General and one-time owner of the St. Louis Cardinals, died today, aged 48. He had been ill for some time. — Associated Press.

The decision on an election this autumn or its continued postponement will probably be determined then, Labour Party officials said.

These sources admitted that Mr. Attlee, because of increasing pressure from the Tories as well as from some of his own Labourites, must make up his mind soon—preferably before Parliament returns.

Mr. Bevin will play a major role in the final decision. As an old trade union leader with a tremendous following inside the Party, his advice may well be the determining factor.

Mr. Bevin is at present in America. His return will be the signal for a vast review by the Cabinet of many problems, both domestic and international, in preparation for Parliament.

**Domestic Problems**  
But even though the West faces major political and economic crises, the chief concern here for the moment is domestic politics and economics. Mr. Bevin will be an influential factor in both.

Politics—Mr. Bevin is the key man in the Cabinet to swing the trade unions into line.

As former head of the largest trade union in the world—the Transport Workers—his judgment is still taken by the workers and he is still their "elder statesman."

**Inflation Menace**  
Economics—The major problem at home on this is the fight against inflation.

The Trades Union Congress is still withholding approval of the devaluation policy. It has not split with the Government but, rather, refuses to follow without opposition Sir Stafford Cripps demand that, though the cost of living rises, workers must give up wage increases.

Mr. Bevin may also help to iron out this problem. — United Press.

Paris, October 6.  
Francis Chalais, the French film critic, was slightly wounded today in a sword duel with Willy Rozier, a film director, in Verres Woods, near Paris.

The challenge came from Rozier, who said that he had been offended by an article written by the critic. — Reuter.

London, October 6.  
Switzerland and Portugal have agreed to abolish extra visas for each other's citizens, Swiss Radio said tonight. — Reuter.

Karachi, October 6.  
It was officially announced today that Pakistan and Denmark have agreed to exchange diplomatic missions with Legation status. — United Press.

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# Chinese Embassy Rumours

Paris, October 6.

For five hours today there were no staff at the Chinese Embassy here, because fog over the English Channel had delayed the arrival of a Counsellor from London.

This gave rise to rumours that the whole Embassy had deserted to the Peking Communist Government.

In fact, said Mr. G. Mong, the Embassy Counsellor, the staff was at the Embassy waiting for Mr. Tuan Maolan, the Embassy Counsellor from London, who was delayed because of the fog.

The French Foreign Office announced last night that Mr. Tuan was coming to take over the Embassy as successor to the Ambassador, Mr. Tsiang Tai. The Ambassador was relieved because of injuries which he had received in an automobile crash. — Reuter.

# RED COUP IN EGYPT FOILED

Cairo, October 6.

The police said today that they had smashed a Communist gang organisation of a coup d'etat with the aid of two beautiful girls who acted as runners from secret underground headquarters.

Officials said the raid on the gang's headquarters was carried out by a large force of police, including senior Egyptian political officers. They added that the raid followed the arrest of two girls who had been found on a street corner exchanging documents.

The girls had both been shadowed for a long time as suspected Communists, the police revealed, and their papers showed that their gang was trying to organize a coup d'etat.

The police followed the pair to their hide-out and arrested Seria Sayed and her husband, Mamoud Aghidi, described as a notorious Communist.

The police added that they also uncovered reports from members of the Communist Party throughout Egypt as well as letters from abroad.

The hide-out was equipped with mimeographs for printing Communist propaganda for Arabia, officials disclosed. — United Press.

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#### BIRTHS

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Tony Dawson-Grove on 7th  
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Hospital, a daughter.

MCKENZIE: At St. Theresa's  
Hospital on 5th October 1949,  
to Captain and Mrs. A. J. S.  
McKenzie, Kowloon Docks, A  
daughter.

#### DEATH

HANLON: at Sydney, Australia,  
on 6th October 1949, Dorothy,  
Beloved wife of E. M. G.  
Hanlon.

#### FUNERAL

Funeral Services for the late  
Margaret (Peggy) Donaldson  
will be held at St. John's  
Cathedral on Saturday the  
8th of October, 1949, at  
11 a.m. following which  
cremation will take place at  
the Kai Lung Wan Crematorium,  
Pokfulam. No flowers by  
request.

#### WEATHER SERVICES

The annual report of the  
Hong Kong Royal Obser-  
vatory puts the important  
work of that department into  
perspective, while at the same  
time implying in the most  
moderate language that much  
more could be done were the  
facilities, money and staff  
available.

As Mr. Heywood remarked,  
the responsibilities of the ob-  
servatory cover a much wider  
field than the Colony itself.  
It not only fulfils its original  
function of providing typhoon  
warnings, but also weather  
services for Hong Kong itself,  
as well as for shipping and  
aircraft using the port, and  
collaborating on an interna-  
tional scale with other centres  
scattered over the globe.  
Meteorology, the director  
pointed out, depends more  
perhaps than any other sci-  
ence on world-wide co-  
operation for its advancement.

There are not so many  
places in the Far East now to  
provide ships and planes with  
information about storms and  
immediately forthcoming  
weather generally. The widest  
possible background about  
weather developments in ad-  
joining zones of influence is  
vital to the service, and for this  
reason it is to be hoped that  
a good liaison will eventually  
be possible with Communist  
China; regular reports from  
the various sections of which  
are essential to the accurate  
forecasting of conditions in  
this area.

The report states that to  
meet the increasing demands  
for aviation weather services,  
a scheme has been approved  
to expand and reorganise the  
present staff, but this cannot  
become effective immediately  
owing to the time required to  
obtain and train recruits.

Methods and standards of  
efficiency of observatories are,  
said Mr. Heywood, regulated  
by an increasing extent by in-  
ternational bodies, and Hong  
Kong is asked to establish a  
radio-sonde and radar wind-  
finding station for upper air  
soundings, as part of a global  
network of similar stations.  
There are other "immense  
opportunities" such as geo-  
graphic suitability for research  
into tropical meteorology,  
earthquake notification etc.  
There is also the purely in-  
formational and educational  
side.

Resources, however, are  
limited, and Mr. Heywood  
says that since the war "we  
have been entirely preoccupied  
with severely practical re-

# THE PARLIAMENT OF EUROPE

By "WINDRUSH"

The first meeting of the Council of Europe—the Strasbourg Assembly—is over. People in Europe are trying to decide what it has accomplished, what it is real nature, and what it may do in the future. Members of the Assembly back home are busy writing articles summing up their impressions.

The Council of Europe is in no way a new organization. It is, in fact, a continuation of the League of Nations (though, since all the world is now one, it may be called Asia in its economic discussions). But Asia cannot afford to neglect what is happening in Europe. Since in our life-time world war has begun because of European troubles.

There is a peculiar difficulty in forming a clear picture of the Strasbourg Assembly. It is something which has come into being as the result of popular pressure from all over Europe. The pressure has been for the unification of at least some of the part of the continent. But the popular feeling was impractical.

When the representatives assembled early in August there was no clear conception of what should be the functions of a European parliament. Ideas about it have had to be built up as the proceedings developed. They are still rather vague.

Some people had expected that the meeting would be a fiasco. They thought that the Assembly would turn out to be a more or less academic debating society and that its finality would quickly be seen. This has not happened. The Assembly, whose members were all experienced parliamentarians, worked smoothly and with great dignity. It has established its prestige. Europe will expect it to meet again.

Other pessimists had expected that the Assembly—the body representing the European parliaments—would quarrel with the Council of Ministers—the Council of the Foreign Ministers of the European governments. The Council of Ministers controls by and large the agenda of the Assembly. Thanks to the fact of the President of the Assembly, the Belgian M. Spaak, this quarrel did not happen. Nevertheless the Assembly showed that it might have a valuable part to play as a kind of friendly and constructive opposition to the Council of Ministers.

What were the actual achievements of the Assembly?

It passed a resolution stating that "the aim and goal of the Council of Europe is the creation of a European political authority with limited functions but real powers." As the Manchester Guardian said "this is a formula which should be acceptable to those of all ways of mind and those most enthusiastic for it."

It instructed its General Affairs with a detailed and objective study of the proposals to achieve a closer political unity between the member states, including those as well as alter proposals for the future political development of Europe. It recorded its conviction that the problems of common interest to the states of Europe... solved within the framework of the present European structure.

This is not a mere scheme of the problem of European unity by the well known device of refer-

life, freedom of thought, conscience of religion, freedom to unite in trade unions. One of the main questions facing Europe is the future of Germany. Resentment at and fear of Germany is still very strong, and is growing as Germany regains her feet. At the same time it is argued by many that the best hope of removing the danger from German nationalism is to invite Germany to join the international West European organization. The test of Europe's policy towards Germany will be whether West Germany is invited to join the Council of Europe.

Mr. Churchill, who dominated the first days of the Assembly, wanted an immediate discussion on the admission of Germany. But this has been postponed.

One of the chief subjects of comment on the continent, now that the Assembly is over, is the attitude of the British labour representatives. Throughout the conference they showed a certain suspicion of all far-reaching plans for international action. The opposed the setting-up of the tribunal to hear appeals from individuals in case their liberties were "infringed"; they admitted that they did not wish to see individual persons in Great Britain carrying a case against the Labour Government to an international court.

As the conference developed, the British Socialists became more co-operative. But Europe was not asking anything of Great Britain is going to collaborate wholeheartedly in the building up of European Union. If it does not do so, the whole experiment of the Council of Europe will almost certainly fail.

## Battlefield Re-Union

By KEITH BUTLER

Greek soldiers on Argos Or-  
stikon airfield, after their Gram-  
mos victory over the guerrillas,  
had a shock when they saw one  
of their comrades helping a cap-  
tured guerrilla girl into a special  
plane. She was still dressed in  
the dirty khaki battle dress  
blouse and slacks which all the  
guerrilla women fighters wear. The  
Greek soldier with her was look-  
ing after her like a brother.

He was her brother.  
Called up to serve the Greek  
Army fighting the guerrillas,  
young Athanasios Tsimbis left  
his Northern Greek home with  
anxiety. His village near Pagonia  
was in the direct path of the  
guerrilla raiding from across the  
Albanian border. Within a few  
months of leaving home he got  
the news that guerrillas had raid-  
ed his home, and had abducted  
his seventeen year old sister,  
Alexandra....

Two days after the fall of the  
main guerrilla stronghold in  
Mount Grammos peak, the guerril-  
la platoon in which Alexandra  
was serving with the other Greek  
men and girls forcibly conscripted  
was ordered a fight rear-guard  
action. Greek Army forces  
stormed the hill in the face of a  
hail of guerrilla fire. One Greek  
soldier was in advance of all the  
others, charging up the hill with  
fixed bayonet.

Alexandra says something stop-  
ped her from firing, even at the  
risk of being shot by the Com-  
munist political commissar behind  
her. Suddenly she recognised the  
soldier and stood up, shouting  
"Thanassi! Thanassi!" Instantly  
he recognised her. Forgetting  
the battle around them and  
regardless of the storm of bullets  
brother and sister rushed and  
hugged each other in the middle  
of the battlefield. Miraculously,  
both were unharmed and Athana-  
sios dragged Alexandra to cover.

The guerrilla position taken,  
Athanasios went on with his  
unit to finish the campaign.  
Alexandra was taken back to a  
barbed-wire prison cage with the  
rest of the captured guerrilla men  
and women.

Immediately the last guerrilla  
resistance in the Grammos was  
broken, Athanasios' C. O. gave  
him four days' special leave. Al-  
exandra's case was examined on  
the spot and she was released.  
An officer was put in to see the  
couple's disposal and Athanasios  
took his sister back to their  
parents in the sad little home  
from which they had both been  
taken by the guerrilla war.

In a cottage near Pagonia in  
the North Western Greek prov-  
ince of Epirus, there is rejoicing,  
dancing and singing these days.

quirements." One grant has  
been made from the Colonial  
Development and Welfare  
Fund, but it would seem most  
desirable for further funds to  
be provided from Home sources,  
so that not only more  
equipment but also skilled  
staff can be obtained.

It is eminently desirable for  
Hong Kong to be in the fore-  
front in this branch of interna-  
tional co-operation as in many  
others. The Colony is noted  
for its commercial integrity  
and enterprise; it can gain  
much added prestige through  
the efficient operation and ex-  
pansion of services such as  
those provided by the Royal  
Observatory.

## A Canadian Woman's Colour Film Of The Greek War

While the Greek Communists  
smashed a way into the fiercely  
defended guerrilla stronghold in  
the Grammos mountain labyrinth,  
a 53-year-old Canadian woman  
was in the thick of the fighting  
with them.

Dressed in khaki slacks and a  
fur-collared American "Parker"  
Commando jacket, she struggled  
to keep up with the Greek Com-  
mandos on the mountain tracks.  
Over one shoulder was slung a  
portable cine-camera; over the  
other a box of spare reels of  
film. White-haired Miss Amice  
Calverley, 53, risked death and  
wound, if captured, in her resolve  
to make a colour film such as  
the world has never yet seen—  
an authentic colour film of a  
grim fight where no quarter is  
asked or given, set amidst the  
breath-taking beauty of the  
Greek mountains.

For 23 years Miss Calverley  
spent her days handling the dry  
bones of history as Field Director  
in charge of the survey of the  
Temple of King Seti I at  
Abydos in Upper Egypt. Now  
she has left archaeology for a  
short while to go with the Greek  
Commandos into battle, filming  
in colour a living page in modern  
history—the climax of the three  
years' Greek war against the  
Communist guerrillas.

The music of a Cretan "lyra"—  
a stringed instrument plucked  
with the fingers—led Miss Calver-  
ley from the ruins of an ancient  
Minoan civilisation of 5,000 years  
ago to the mountain battlefield of  
Grammos today.

On a ship bound from Athens  
to Crete, where she aimed to get  
Spring pictures for a document-  
ary film, she felt her toes itching  
to Cretan dances superbly played  
on the lyra by some unseen  
musician. She traced the music  
to a Greek soldier playing for  
his leaping, dancing comrades.  
Miss Calverley filmed the scene,  
entranced also by the classical  
Minoan features of the musician.  
She found out he was a Com-  
mando and a hero. On his way-  
home for his first leave in two  
years, he had been twice wound-  
ed and three times wounded for  
him was twenty-four  
years old. His name was Evan-  
gelos Vidiadakis.

Her work in Crete finished,  
Miss Calverley decided to find  
the village where her "Minoan"  
Commando lived. On the slopes  
of the "White Mountain" she  
found him living with his family  
and fellow-farmers amongst the  
half-covered remains of an an-  
cient Minoan city of 3,000 B.C.  
The lives of the modern Cretans  
had changed little in 5,000 years.  
Only the weapons were different  
in their wars.

Under the charm of Cretan  
hospitality she learnt much of  
the lives, hopes, joys and suffer-  
ings of Evangelos and his peo-  
ple. She got to know his wife  
Stella, his brother Manoli, his  
uncle Christo, and his dog "Mus-  
solini." She found more.

"I had found by chance in  
this village," she says, "the per-  
fect setting for my picture of an  
ancient Minoan city framing the  
life of the peasants as descendants  
of the remote past. But owing  
to the playing of the young sol-  
dier I had also embarked on an-  
other picture of a very different  
nature, a picture no less rooted  
in the past. A picture which  
follows the Greek soldier into  
the present fight against a form  
of Communism that would de-  
stroy the very essence of Greek

life: the Family, Religion, and  
Freedom to talk."

She decided to make a film  
following her "Minoan" Com-  
mando, "Vangelis," from his home  
and family circle up to the  
Northern mountains where he

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and his comrades were fighting  
once again for the freedom of  
the Greek people, the force forced  
on Greece by Fate and Geo-  
graphy throughout history.

Back in Athens she eventually  
persuaded the Commandos, who  
are a law unto themselves in  
every army, to take her with  
them. Accompanying them in  
exhausting marches over the  
mountains, she has filmed the  
whole background and spirit of  
the Greek soldier's life in this  
relentless war against the Com-  
munist attempt to drag Greece  
behind the Iron Curtain. The  
film shows the terrible sacrifice  
of the Greek youth in this kind  
of warfare, where thousands are  
maimed and blinded on guerrilla  
minefields, and where it is bet-  
ter to die than fall alive into  
guerrilla hands. It follows the  
three-day passage of wounded  
stretchers, borne by stum-  
bling, sweating soldiers down the  
broken mountain-sides to the  
nearest ambulances. And it

## Forceful Protest To Russia

Washington, October 6.  
The United States sent a  
strongly-worded note to the So-  
viet Union today protesting  
against what it called the  
"shocking" mistreatment of Am-  
ericans who strayed into the So-  
viet Zone of Germany.

The note said that this treat-  
ment was "in shocking contra-  
vention to the most elementary  
standards of international de-  
cency."

The United States, through its  
Ambassador in Moscow, also  
notified the Russian Foreign  
Office that "it expects that those  
Soviet officials who are responsi-  
ble for these acts will be  
punished."

The American note cited the  
case of two college students who  
had "inadvertently" entered the  
Russian Zone during a cycling  
tour and who were detained for  
eight weeks.

It also quoted the case of an  
American soldier who escaped on  
September 16 from a prison in  
the Soviet Sector of Berlin after  
10 months' imprisonment.

The note said that the soldier  
was held under "brutal and un-  
civilised conditions." It added:  
"There can be no justification for  
this kind of treatment of the  
citizens of a friendly nation, per-  
sons whose only violation of the  
law is purely technical at most,  
and whose innocence of criminal  
charges can easily be estab-  
lished."—Reuter.



According to a contemporary  
yesterday, two American women  
newspaper correspondents, left  
after a brief stay in the Colony.  
Like so many of the rest of us,  
they couldn't have liked  
piggish it.

"Republican guards" had rifles  
and submarine guns.  
The general was prominently  
wearing his water pistol.

"An agent for roots Products"  
was reported yesterday to have  
said that devaluation of sterling  
had resulted in record sales of  
the concern's motor cars in Bel-  
gium.

How deep are the Routines...  
As the incendiary said to his  
offspring: There you are son.

But hang it all...  
"We promise that everything  
will be done by us to give you  
an entirely satisfying execution."

"My husband has changed a lot  
since our marriage. I made up  
my mind about that. He eats out  
of my hand now."  
"Really? It must save a lot of  
washing up."

To those who say we are not  
getting enough government, one  
can only remark—think what  
would happen if we got all the  
government we are paying for.

Temper, temper...!

A little man dashed into the  
bar and asked for a large ginger  
ale. "You look a bit shaken,"  
said another customer. "Any-  
thing wrong?"

"I just got home to find a  
strange man kissing my wife!"  
"What did you do?" asked the  
other.  
"I picked up his umbrella,"  
said the little man, "smashed it  
across my knee, and said: 'There!  
I hope it rains.'"

Q. Please distinguish between  
spoonfuls and spoonful.  
A. In making a dessert, for  
example, one adds three spoon-  
fuls of flavoured. The word  
spoonful is used here because  
the same spoon is used each time  
the flavouring is added. The  
expression spoonful implies the  
use of more than one spoon.  
As long as we know.

During an opera performance in  
Paris, a mouse ran across the stage.  
The orchestra just couldn't  
reach the prima donna's high  
notes.

As women broaden in beam they  
also broaden in speech.

I hear about the local lady  
who went to the kitchen to give  
some instructions to her cook, and  
found him washing lettuce for the  
evening meal with a toothbrush.  
Observing her, startled expres-  
sion, the cook said, "No catfish  
trouble this, missy. This no belong  
your toothbrush. Belong my  
toothbrush."



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# VITAL MISSION BY NEHRU TO AMERICA

## Will Decide Western Policy In Far East INDO-U.S. TREATY POSSIBLE

Bombay, October 6.

The Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, is leaving Bombay tomorrow for the United States on a mission of vital concern to the future of South East Asia.

According to a consensus of political and diplomatic opinion here, the visit is likely to have an important bearing on the policy of the Western powers in this part of the world. Pandit Nehru will spend one month touring the country. He will also pay a brief visit to Canada.

While sources close to Pandit Nehru have hitherto shed no light on his mission, Indian political quarters stated today that, though it is essentially a goodwill visit, Pandit Nehru will discuss with President Truman various aspects of Indo-United States relations

and the international situation in general. The Indian press speculated on the emergence of a Nehru Truman formula on Indo-United States co-operation, strengthening India's role as a bulwark of peace in Asia.

Official quarters in New Delhi indicate that the Premier's visit to Washington will expedite the conclusion of an Indo-American treaty of trade, friendship and navigation, negotiations on which have been going on for the last two years.

Business and industrial opinion suggests that Pandit Nehru's visit to the United States will prepare the "climate in India" for a flow of investment capital from the United States and a probable extension of the Marshall Plan to Asia.

### A Test Of Statesmanship

They said, however, that while Pandit Nehru might seek aid from the United States or world organizations, he will not accept any aid unless it is offered without political strings. With the current unsettled conditions in South East Asia and the United States line of action not yet decided, diplomatic observers here think that the discussions between Mr. Nehru and President Truman will mainly centre around the alignment of India and other South East Asian nations in any probable United States move to halt Communism.

They presume that United States aid—economic or military—to South East Asia will largely depend upon India's attitude and the outcome of the talks between the Indian Premier and the American President.

These observers think that the Washington talks on his vital problem will prove a test of statesmanship for both Mr. Nehru and Mr. Truman as they will have to reconcile India's policy of neutrality and the Truman Administration's avowed anti-Soviet bias.

**Search For Compromise**  
They believe future United States moves in South East Asia will depend upon whether President Truman and Pandit Nehru can evolve a compromise formula which will satisfy India and the other Asian countries in working out the American aid programme mentioned in President Truman's recent declaration.

Diplomatic observers say that neither Britain nor the United States has officially responded to the Thai Premier, Marshal Songkram's, move for a South East Asian Conference in Bangkok. It is presumed that London and Washington have recognized that any South East Asia programme without the assent and wholehearted co-operation of India would be ineffective.



MR. NEHRU

## TEN YEARS FOR TOKYO ROSE

San Francisco, October 6. Federal Judge Michael Roche today sentenced Iva d'Aquino to 10 years in prison and a fine of \$50,000 for treason.

"Tokyo Rose" showed no visible emotion as sentence was pronounced. Mr. Roche also denied motions by the defence counsel, Wayne Collins, for arrest of judgment, for acquittal and for a new trial. Mr. Collins said he planned an immediate appeal to the ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Tokyo Rose was remanded to the U.S. Marshal and went back to the Marshal's "cage" in the Federal Court building with the same cold behaviour that characterized her while sentence was being passed. But she choked up and was unable to talk when her father, sister and husband met her in the Marshal's office. Mr. Collins said he would try to get her released on bail pending an appeal.

Before passing sentence, the aging, stern Judge Roche said: "The court will refrain from making any comments. Although several could be made, no useful purposes would be served." United Press.

## Looted Property In Japan

Washington, October 6. The Far Eastern Commission today discussed plans for the disposition of looted property recovered from Japan for which owners have not been identified.

The property has been liquidated and probably will finally be returned to the nations from which it is presumed to have come during wartime.

The Commission also continued discussion of the fixing of the industrial level on which Japan's economic life is based, and the possible enlargement of Japanese fishing areas.

The meeting was described as principally routine discussion of long pending matters. Associated Press.

## BIG LOAN OFFER IN LONDON

Pretoria, October 6. Mr. N. C. Havenga, South African Finance Minister, announced tonight that the Union Government will soon offer for subscription on the London market a Government loan of £10,000,000.

This will be followed early next year by a similar loan.

Mr. Havenga, who was making a nation-wide broadcast, also announced that about £6,000,000 will become available to the Union Government by borrowing from the United States and Switzerland.

He said that these loans should, with the assistance of capital funds normally accruing to the Treasury, enable South Africa to finance this year's loan programme of approximately £75,000,000 without the issue of a further public loan in the Union.

Mr. Havenga said that while abroad recently he had been given information of various industrial undertakings which would have the effect of introducing capital into the Union for private investment.

Devaluation of South African currency to "bed-rock level" removed the fear which had hitherto restrained capital from moving into the Union to participate in otherwise attractive investments.

The Minister warned South Africa not to regard the United States as a limitless source of capital for the development of less developed countries. The United States itself still offered a wide market for investment for its own capital, and machinery for foreign investment was cumbersome and slow-moving, he said.—Reuter.

## CHANDRA BOSE MYSTERY

Calcutta, October 6. The Government of India has information that Subhas Chandra Bose is alive in Communist China, his elder brother, Sarat Chandra Bose, said today.

Interviewed while he lay sick in bed, Sarat Chandra Bose said: "I believe, as I have always believed, that Subhas is alive. The story of the air crash on Formosa in August, 1945, when he was reported to have been killed has never really convinced me."

Sarat Bose was aware that the Government of India was in possession of information that Subhas Chandra Bose is alive and with the Communists in China.

"This does not necessarily mean the report that he will broadcast over Peiping Radio on October 21 is true. I suspect this to be a fabrication based perhaps on the prediction of an Indian astrologer who visited New Delhi recently. It is just a piece of sensational news cooked up somewhere." United Press.

## TITO BANKING ON CHINA REDS AS ALLIES

Belgrade, October 6.

Yugoslavia's quick recognition of the new Chinese government is interpreted in Belgrade as the first move to obtain a partner in Marshal Tito's anti-Moscow home rule campaign.

It is no secret that Yugoslavia's political strategists have been banking heavily on the possibility that the Chinese Communists, once victory is consolidated, will follow Tito's example in revolting against Moscow's heavy-handed rule.

More than a year ago, at an informal press conference, a senior Yugoslav Government official predicted accurately the course of events up to now in China and went a step further in claiming that she will ultimately follow Yugoslavia's lead.

It is too early to say just what will happen. But Yugoslavia's early gesture of friendship was obviously designed as part of a campaign to spread "Titoism" which already has the Kremlin worried.

Meanwhile, Misha Pijade, Vice-President of the Presidium and one of Tito's chief advisers, has completed a series of articles in the newspaper "Borba" denouncing the Hungarian treason trial of Laslo Rajk.

### Hitler Tactics

In a gloves-off article, he said openly that he accused Russia of "inflaming the Communist satellites into the hope of grabbing parts of Yugoslav territory and of provoking border incidents and promoting economic blockade."

Pijade's outspoken review hung back at Russia the charge that Yugoslavia has failed to hold an election recently by noting that the Soviet Union herself has not given her people a chance to vote for 10 and a half years.

He said that the Russians had learned lessons from the tactics of Hitler and Mussolini by sheltering traitors, organizing Yugoslav deserters and distributing hostile propaganda.

He added that the Kremlin would not dare to hold an election now because it first needed victory in its row with Yugoslavia in order to justify its previous "lies." Associated Press.

## PI RELATIONS WITH JAPAN

Manila, October 6. Two major roadblocks to renewed friendly relations between Japan and the Philippines were outlined today by the Chief of the Philippine Mission to Tokyo.

Minister Bernabe Africa told Manila Law College students it develops on Japan to restore friendly relations by:

First, meeting just obligations to the Philippines in the form of war indemnity payments.

Second, convincing the Filipinos of Japan's peaceful intentions.

Mr. Africa was appalled by the United States move stopping reparations payments to Allied countries. He described it as "a disaster to Allied convictions."

He said: "Condonation of reparations payments from Japan, when that country has only paid a pittance to those countries whom she destroyed and overran during the war, is not only against basic Allied policy towards Japan, but a definite encouragement to future aggression." Associated Press.

## BELGRADE GOES STEP FURTHER

Lake Success, October 6. Yugoslavia today carried her dispute with Russia one step further by asking the United Nations Organisation to declare itself against any attempt by one State to interfere in the internal or external affairs of another.

The Yugoslav request, in the form of a 25-point "declaration on rights and duties of States," was submitted today to the General Assembly's 59-nation Legal Committee.

Under the proposed declaration, which, unlike an international convention, is not binding on signatory States, every State would be in duty bound to refrain "from any form of intervention in the affairs of other States."

It would prohibit all States from "fomenting, organising, encouraging or assisting, within the territory of another State, any activity calculated to bring about a civil war or acts of terrorism in that State."

The Yugoslav proposal would allow States to take "individual or collective self-defence" measures against an attacking State until the United Nations had taken the necessary steps to ensure the withdrawal of the aggressor.

It would also grant States the right to break off obligations "assumed under duress" which violated the principles of the United Nations Charter.—Reuter.

## Lancasters Coming To Far East

London, October 6. Six general reconnaissance Lancasters from the Royal Air Force Coastal Command will leave their Cornwall base on November 1 for the Far East.

They will train under the operational and administrative control of Air Headquarters, Far East Air Force.

Each with a crew of seven, the aircraft will carry out an exercise in air mobility, reinforcement flying, and maritime reconnaissance. The crews will also exchange views on operational doctrine with local Naval and Air Force authorities.

The Lancasters are due at RAF station at Tengah, Singapore, on November 5. They will fly out by way of Malta, Hal-Ganiyah (Iraq), Karachi (Pakistan), and Negombo (Ceylon). Leaving Singapore on November 23, they will return to Cornwall, where they are due, on December 11, by way of Negombo, Karachi, Aden, Ayid (Egypt) and Malta.—Reuter.

Arnsch, October 6. Exceptionally warm autumn weather in the Arnsch region, in the French Alps, is making apple trees bloom for the second time this year.—Reuter.

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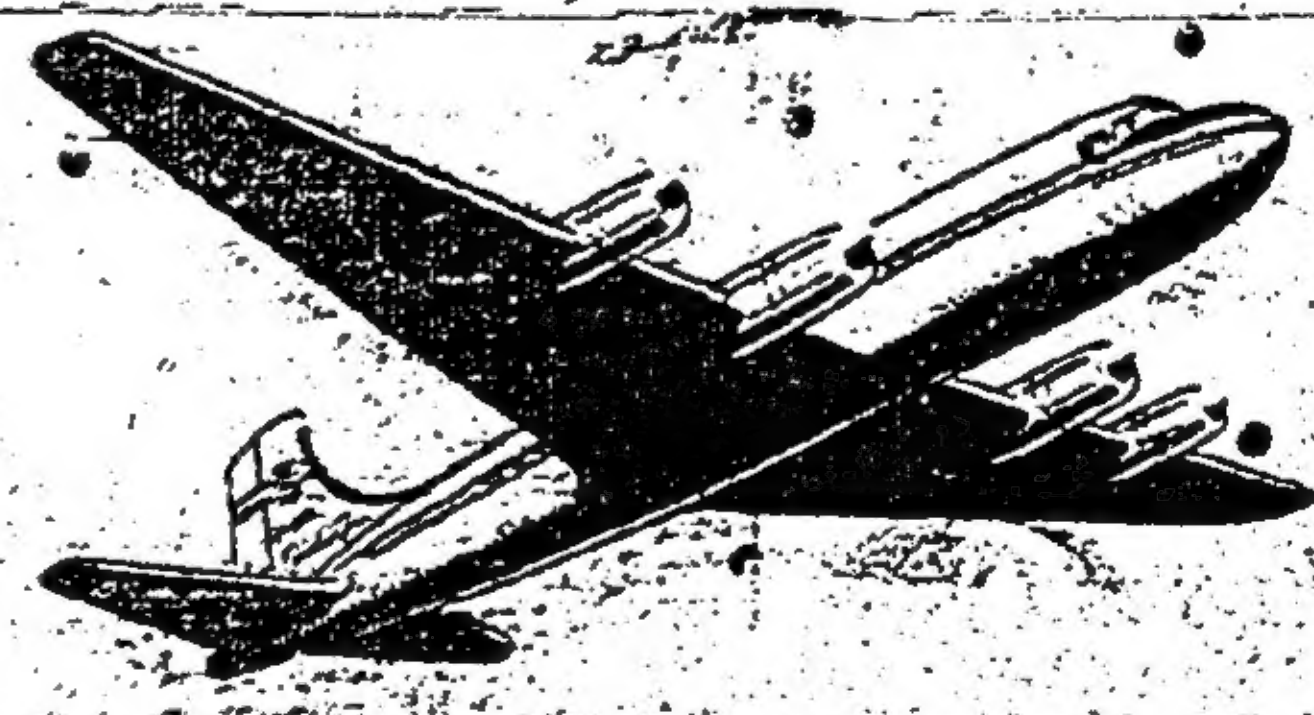
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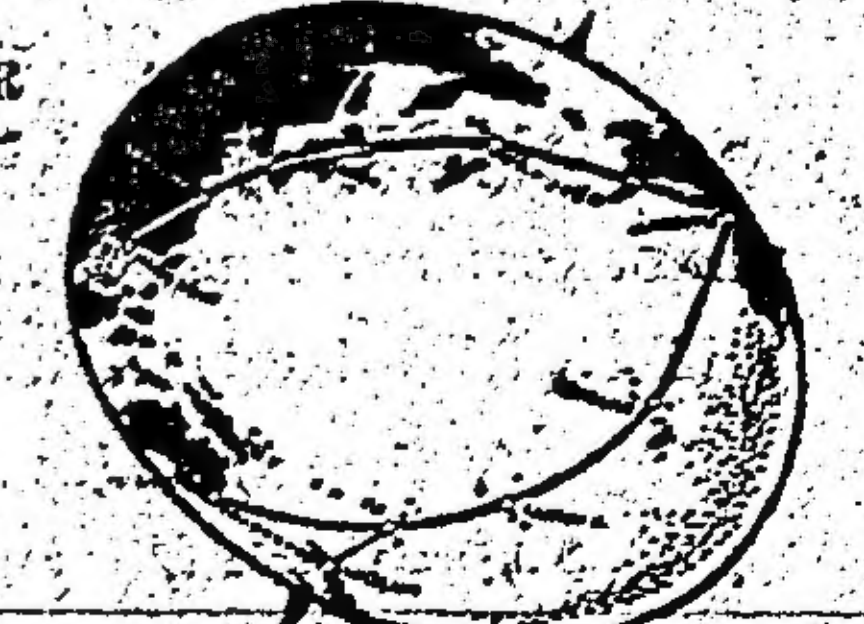
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## MOTORING NEWS AND VIEWS



This stubby, tough looking little car was on show at a recent Trades Fair at Zagreb, Yugoslavia. It has a five horse power engine, and is capable of about 60 kilometres an hour. The car is strictly for summer use since it is made without a hood. Buyers from many foreign countries attended the fair. There were, however, no representatives of the East Europe Communist countries.—Associated Press Photo.

## Modern Trends In Car Design

Modern trends in car fashion are aggravating the problems of the body engineer, and British designers have additional problems consequent upon the degree of economy which they must exercise in the use of expensive tools.

These are two of the points put forward in a paper read before the Institution of Mechanical Engineers recently by Mr. E.S. White, Technical Engineer, British Light Steel Pressings, Ltd.

Dealing with the trend and effect of style, the author stated that this probably had the greatest influence on all subsequent considerations and, to a large extent, governed the basic engineering tooling and assembling problems of a modern motor body.

Style or appearance was all-important from the prospective customer's point of view.

Before the advent of the stylist, body design was generally confined to that part of the sheet metal-work behind the dash.

Furthermore, the design of this structure tended to be controlled by the body engineering staff, although as designs progressed there was undoubtedly a definite trend towards reducing wind resistance and adopting more flowing curves, thus giving safety and easy cleaning.

The stylist today had continued this trend, but the danger of introducing changes purely for fashion or sales reasons must be controlled if progress was to continue in a practical manner.

## Styling Must Compromise

In the author's opinion body styling must always compromise between the dictates of fashion, the securing of effective strength, economy in tooling, satisfactory assembly and welding conditions for both home and export, and advantage to the user in respect of reduced cost of the car being easy to clean and service.

The tendency to eliminate running boards and wings was likely to continue.

This trend had probably given the engineers on the construction and tooling sides their greatest problem.

The question of the "break-up" of the main pressings and panels had had to be studied much more closely in order to avoid extremely difficult pressings using the very limit of the ductility of the metal employed, with consequent excessive press shop scrap, in addition to difficult and costly assembly operations.

The final assembly, with the securing of satisfactory clearances between wings, bonnet, became a difficult problem.

The future trend, Mr. White thought, would probably be to merge the wings into the body shell and to incorporate them as part of the body pressings.

Obviously, this would greatly complicate the damage and spare parts problem, but it would seem that accidental damage would have to be treated as repair, and not as a replacement, as has been past practice.

With clever designing it was quite possible, that this merging of the wings into the body panels and structure might reduce the weight of the vehicle as these units might be used to contribute to the overall strength of the structure.

In such a case the body engineering section would have to assume greater responsibility for the lines, and general designing in order that the integral wings might provide added strength.

This should not have any detrimental effect on appearance be-

cause it was a debatable point whether the stylist achieved any greater beauty of line the body draughtsman with his long experience of curve development, and in the future the stylist's activities might be confined to interior fittings and outside decorative work.

## Material Choice

The author dealt next with materials, which he placed second only in importance to styling.

There were, he said, four possible choices, namely, deep-drawing auto-body steel, work-hardening aluminium alloys, commercial pure aluminium and aluminium alloy amenable to heat treatment.

In his opinion a three per cent magnesium alloy was the most satisfactory substitute for steel and he estimated that by using it in place of steel a 50 per cent saving in weight would result.

For a popular body of 10 h.p. size the saving in weight would be 300 lb. assuming the steel weight was 600 lb.

This would, however, entail a material cost increase and a further increase would have to be faced, as a greater number of pressings would have to be produced.

Despite the difficulties, however, it was the author's opinion that a car could be successfully produced in this aluminium alloy at a cost figure very little higher than that of steel, provided:

(a) that a considerably greater time allowance was given to the engineering and design sections to employ the alloy to the maximum efficiency;

(b) that with the decreased weight the power unit, gear box, back axle, wheels, tyres, suspension and other details could be made smaller; and

(c) that some sacrifice in appearance would be allowed.

There were, said the author, two basic forms of construction, a stressed frame covered by panels, and a stressed skin with reinforcement. These two forms could be applied either to provide a separate body frame independent of the chassis frame or to form a single unit with the chassis frame, thereby giving an underframe or what was commonly known as a unitary construction base.

The stressed frame method was favoured by some of the smaller quantity producers because it could be built up largely from standard sections of either the tubular or the rolled type.

A further advantage was that the completely welded frame could be readily inspected. The drawbacks of this type of construction were that it would be more costly, and the overall weight was likely to be greater.

The stressed skin or panel construction was more favourable for quantity-produced all-metal bodies, because it ensured the maximum utilisation of outer panel surfaces, thereby almost eliminating any metal work which did not contribute to the strength of the structure.

Probably the main drawback of this method was that where exposed panels became damaged or corroded in the elements were

attacking part of the loaded structure.

## Welded Integration

Considering the question of the underframe of the body or car, Mr. White said that the two methods most likely to be used in the future were the complete unification of the body and chassis frame by welding, or the use of two channel members, one on the body and the other on the chassis, which could be bolted together.

The former method gave maximum rigidity, but here was likely to be amplification of the road and mechanical sounds in the body shell.

The method of bolting two channel sections together was a happy compromise, particularly for the large car, where silence was of greater importance.

With the recent export drive it had been found necessary to ship a greater percentage of body sections in the semi-knocked-down or completely-knocked-down form.

Assembly, therefore, had to be considered not only from home plant considerations but also from the overseas angle, often in comparatively ill-equipped plants.

Finally, the author dealt with corrosion prevention, which hitherto has been completely unsatisfactory when the car's life has to be extended to ten or even fifteen years.

Probably, he thought, the best method was the dip-Bonderising or phosphate coating of the complete body shell, but this entailed a large plant and the cost was relatively high.

A less expensive method was to dip or spray-Bonderise the more vulnerable units.—The Autocar.

## You Should Know This!

## HINTS ON FUEL ECONOMY

**MILES PER GALLON**  
Much can be done by the driver to "stretch" his petrol, for it is not generally recognised that by driving technique alone fuel consumption for a 10 h.p. car can vary as much as from 22 to 40 miles per gallon.

**SPEED**  
Speed is one of the most important factors. Generally a steady 30 to 35 m.p.h. is the most economical. Variations of speed are wasteful and should be as gradual as possible, particularly on deceleration, for on sudden release of the accelerator at high road speed an excessive quantity of rich mixture is drawn from the carburettor.

Sustained high speed, i.e. 50 m.p.h. and over, rapidly increases the rate of consumption, while violent acceleration—as, for example, to beat the "other fellow" from traffic lights—is even more wasteful.

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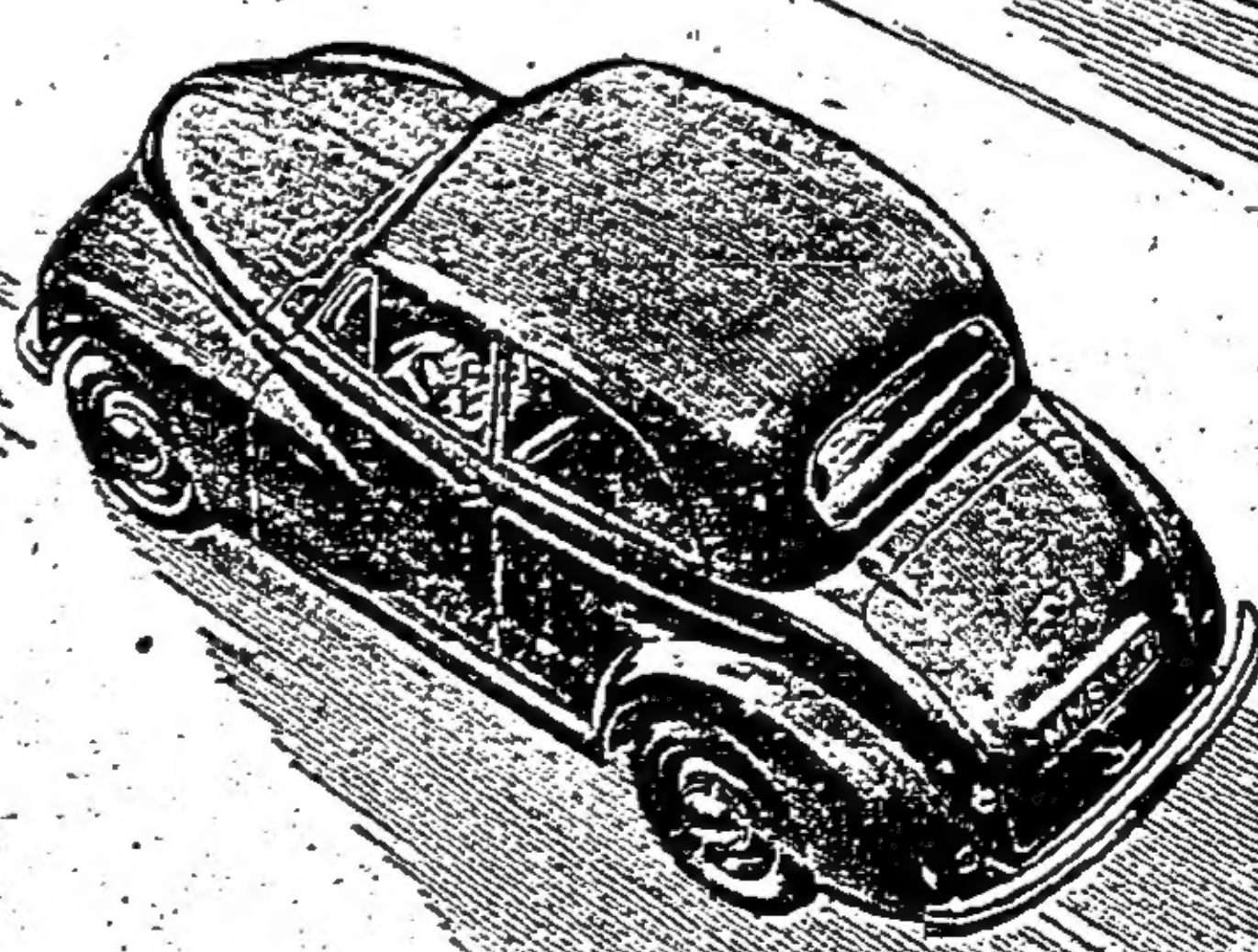
Clean the spot by rubbing with a cloth moistened with good quality fabric cleaner.

Never try petrol as a cleaning agent because it is inflammable. When rubbed briskly over cloth or fabric the friction generated will cause it to ignite.

Acids will eat through cloth in a short time. Treat upholstery immediately as soon as you notice the presence of acids on the car seats.—Use household ammonia by pouring it on the spot and let it soak for a minute or two. Wash it off with a clean wet cloth.

**Carpet Cleaning** Use a stiff brush to remove loose dirt. For mudspots use a damp cloth.

Washing of car. Use clean water with sponge, rub lightly. For drying use a soft damp chamois. It will remove all the dirt without causing it. Remember, hard rubbing will wear out the polish surprisingly fast.

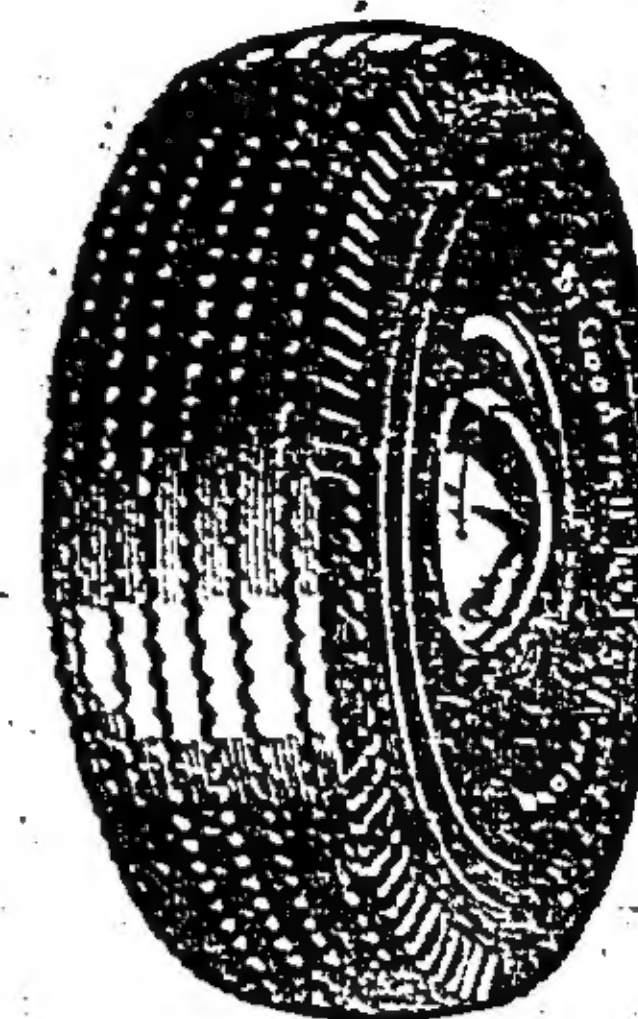


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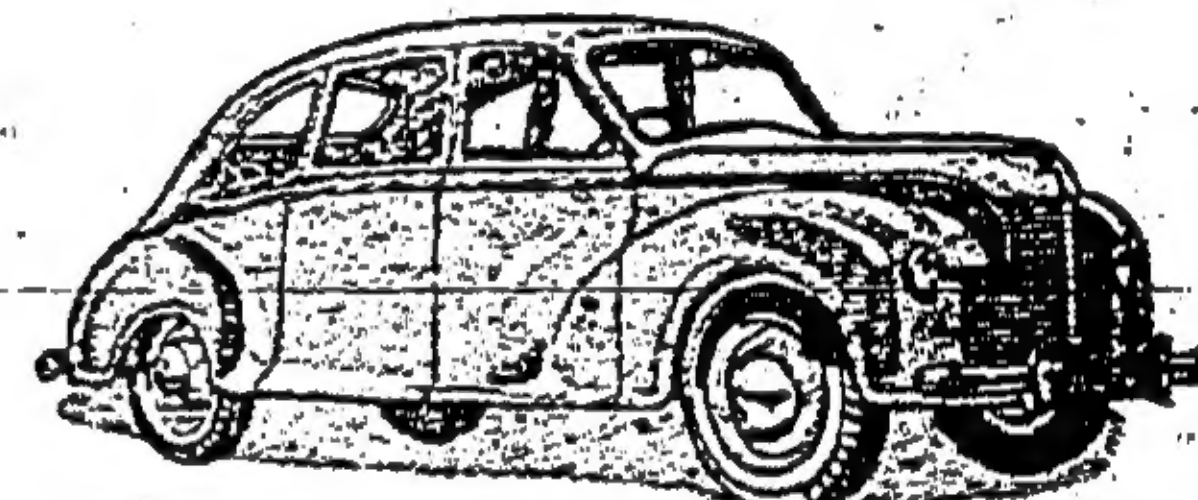
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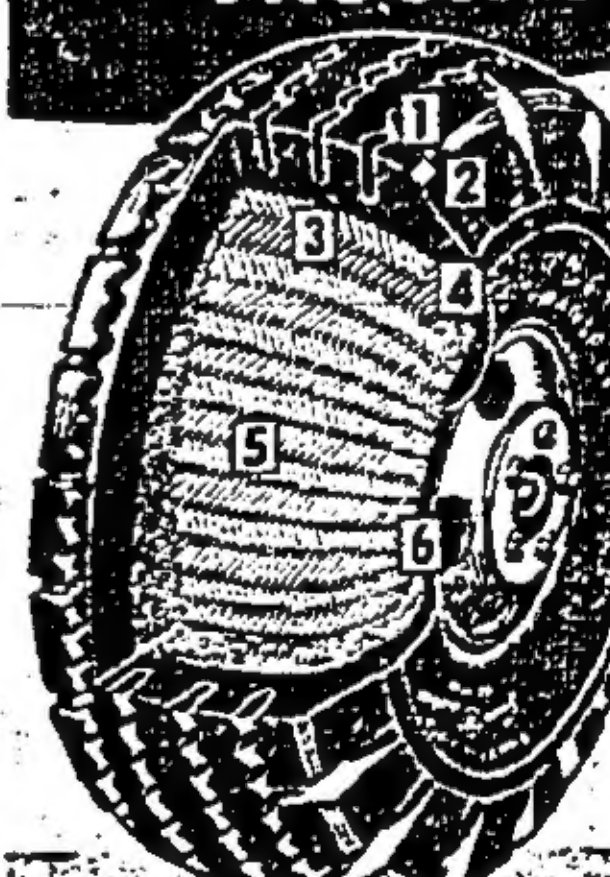
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# WIDESPREAD PURGE PROCEEDING IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

## BELGRADE HITTING BACK

Belgrade, October 6. Yugoslavia disclosed tonight the expulsion of eight Polish and five Czechoslovakian diplomats in the quarrel between the Russian-led Cominform and Marshal Tito's independent government.

A statement issued through the Ministry of Information plainly pointed out that the action was taken in retaliation for similar steps by the Soviet satellites in recent days.

It marked increasing diplomatic pressure in the controversy to supplement the economic boycott which Russia and its satellites have applied against Yugoslavia as part of their 17-month-old campaign to unseat Marshal Tito and his lieutenants.

The following is the text of the announcement: "Giving effect to the plan which is being carried out against Yugoslavia and her diplomatic representatives on the ground of criminal forgeries and falsehoods of the Budapest trial by the bloc of Eastern countries, the Polish Government simultaneously with the renunciation of its treaty of friendship, expelled from Poland eight officials of the Yugoslav Embassy in Warsaw."

(The statement then named the eight Yugoslav officials who included the Counsellor and the Military Attache.)

"The same measures, and for the same reasons, were taken by the Czechoslovakian Government against the officials of the Yugoslav Embassy in Prague."

Only six days after the Tito Government ordered the expulsion of nine members of the Hungarian Legation in Belgrade within 24 hours, leaving only three diplomatic representatives of that country—including the Minister—here to carry on the strictly cold normal exchanges between the two countries.

The action today reduced the Cominform's diplomatic representation here to a new low.

It left for Czechoslovakia and Poland only one officially listed diplomat each to carry on the exchanges between their countries and Yugoslavia, most of which have been the passing of sharply worded notes protesting each other's policies.—Associated Press.

## Prague To Take Over Churches

Prague, October 6. The Czechoslovak Government has fixed November 1 as the date for taking over control of all churches.

The date is included in a draft bill, setting out the Government's plans, the text of which was distributed to members of the Assembly.

Czechoslovak newspapers and radio today issued new warnings to the Catholic hierarchy about possible consequences if they continue their opposition to the plans for establishing a Department of State to control all churches.

Two of the warnings came from excommunicated priests,

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A FEW WEEKS

Prague, October 6. Road and rail traffic to and from Prague is being checked tonight as police comb the city making widespread arrests and investigations. Roads have been watched all this week and every traveller has to satisfy the police about his identity.

As the measures were taken, first-hand sources reported continuing arrests.

Some persons who had been questioned said that they had been given stern "don't talk" warnings.

Just what is happening is not clear, but shooting incidents have occurred and many administrative chiefs in the Ministries are under arrest or held for investigation.

Everything suggests that a vigorous purge is going on and hundreds—at least—of persons suspected of unreliability are being picked up by the police.

### Hysteria In Prague

Multiplying reports of arrests, purges, mysterious disappearances and more shooting incidents circulated in Prague tonight.

So many local residents and sources outside Prague have now reported the disappearance of friends and relatives that it is now evident that arrests number many hundreds.

Reports of arrests come from widely scattered sources. Prague seems to be suffering from some degree of hysteria.

Official sources are silent but there can be no doubt that an extensive purge is going on in the Ministries where department chiefs are being replaced.

The purge goes beyond the usual investigations. Anyone under suspicion is being arrested, even if the only cause is some connection in the distant past with the vaguest Western or Trotsky sympathies.

Communists with wartime Western associations are affected.

### Professional Men

For example, a new chief has been appointed to the press section at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in which there has been a number of Communists and others associated with the wartime Czechoslovak Government in London.

But the arrests go beyond Ministry or Communist Party circles.

Literally, dozens of private sources report the disappearance of lawyers, no longer allowed to practice, of professional and business men thrown out of their usual occupations and others, evidently numbering many hundreds, who had been punished economically but left left meanwhile in personal freedom.

Bohus Cernocky, a leader of the pro-Government "Catholic Action" and Josef Plojhar, Minister of Health.

Ceske Budejovice said that the religious question must not be used to split the people.

"Subversives and reactionaries must remember that we all stand behind (President) Comrade Klement Gottwald, guaranteeing that Munich will never be repeated. Patriotic priests are going with the people," he said.

M. Cernocky, who has been named by Church sources as a likely candidate for a high position in the new Church Department, said in a broadcast tonight that the hierarchy should remember that Czechoslovakia was supported by Russia and other friendly States.

This was "a guarantee that even with aid from outside, the reaction will never succeed in enslaving our people."

The newspaper, "Lidove Noviny" said that the "Catholic and its servants in Czechoslovakia are well aware of the failure of their political incitement. The Church powers, by terror and threats, forced the priests to refuse the proposed law."

The Cabinet yesterday approved the draft text of the new Bill, giving the Government power to control all Church affairs, to administer Church property, appoint or discharge priests or clergymen, and pay their salaries. These powers are to be wielded by a new Department of State under a Cabinet Minister.

The Church authorities have declared their uncompromising rejection of the proposals.—Reuter.

## Cannibalism Practised In Basutoland

Port Elizabeth, October 6.

A South African cleric, the Venerable Frank Amor, claims that cannibalism is practised in the British protectorate of Basutoland.

He told a conference of Anglican missionaries here that blood from ritual murder victims is used in circumcisions and cannibalism is practised in some initiation "schools."

Reuter.

Attention seems to have been paid especially to former members of non-Communist political parties.

## Sequel To Trial Of Rajk

One theory is that the Budapest trial of Laszlo Rajk, in which evidence was given of conspiracy in Czechoslovakia, may have set events in motion.

Foreign observers also considered that the action may have been hastened by the following factors:

- (1) Discovery of an arms dump in Hradec Kralove last month.
- (2) Last Saturday's killings in which three men were shot dead and others injured by tommy-gun fire from a mysterious "black car."
- (3) Suspicion of incendiaryism in a fire which on Monday night destroyed a large building near the Ministry of the Interior.—Reuter.

## ENVOYS MEET IN LONDON

Belgrade, October 6. The coming meeting in London of American diplomats serving behind the Iron Curtain is expected here to show the Western world's attitude towards Yugoslavia and its tussle with the Cominform.

The conference, which was announced today by the U.S. State Department to start on October 24, will be attended by Cavendish Cannon, U.S. Ambassador to Yugoslavia, and the envoys to the Cominform countries.

Mr. Cannon, in response to questions here, acknowledged that the State Department had asked him to submit a list of subjects upon which the diplomatic conference could take action but he declined to disclose details.

However, it appears obvious that the first and foremost of these subjects will be the question of how far the Western world should go in extending aid to Marshal Tito's Government in its 17-month-old fight for "equal rights" with the Communist states.

Mr. Cannon said that the London conference will be an exclusively American affair.

However, it seems likely from here that British diplomats from the Foreign Office will be called into consultation before the talks are ended.

So far United States and British economic policy toward Yugoslavia has operated in general terms on a joint basis.—Associated Press.

## RED ARMY WAR GAMES START

Berlin, October 6. The Berlin Headquarters of the anti-Communist Independent Trade Union Federation (the UGO) reported tonight that all railwaymen in the Soviet Zone had had their leave cancelled because of extensive Russian Army manoeuvres East of the River Elbe.

The reports said that all available railwaymen had been called on to deal with an increased number of trains taking Russian troops from Gerdauen in East Prussia (now provisionally part of Poland) to the Soviet Zone. Meanwhile, Russian troops not engaged in the manoeuvres are staging realistic battle scenes only a few hundred yards from the British sector boundary for their new film, "The Battle of Berlin."—Reuter.

Ottawa, October 6.

The world wheat crop this year is expected to be five per cent less than last year (6,400,000,000 bushels), but slightly above the pre-war average, according to Canadian Bureau statistics.

## DON IDDON'S DIARY City Of Dreadful Anxiety

In the beginning it was all celluloid and capers. I asked for a single room and bath at the Beverly Hills hotel and was allotted a bungalow.

I was unpacking my bags when the telephone rang and a husky voice said: "Is the Prince there? This is George."

I said I was no prince, but a British newspaperman.

"From the London Times?" said the husky voice invitingly. I said from The Daily Mail, and rang off.

For the first few hours everything was unclouded Hollywood. Press agents telephoned—perhaps lunch with Louis B. Mayer could be arranged. What about meeting the Warner brothers? Did I need a studio car? Would I like cocktails with a group of Metro stars?

Telegrams arrived proposing inspection tours, interviews, consultations, nights on the town.

It was confusion and chaos and too much for me. I abandoned the bungalow and went to see James Mason.

Mason lives in a sprawling Spanish-type house slightly smaller than Windsor Castle. I waited in the great hall for the great man and stared through the window at a swimming pool, slightly smaller than the Serpentine.

Ten minutes passed, and then down the wide staircase came a procession.

### Bundles For Baby

First Pamela Kellino, Mason's wife, carrying bundles of baby clothes; then Mason himself, carrying their baby, Portland; and bringing up the rear Mason's aide and friend, Johnny Monahan, carrying a tray of baby foods, milks and lotions.

The procession swept past into a living room slightly smaller than the ballroom at Buckingham Palace. I followed, accepted a drink, and said: "Tell me about Hollywood."

Mason said: "You can either praise it or attack it. There are no half measures. We like it; we have lots of good friends. Studios are very efficient, quicker than the British. It's all right here."

### Stars Left Alone

Pamela said: "It's a good place for a film star to live. People don't bother you or pester you. They're used to stars, and it's a wonderful place to bring up a baby. I wish I'd lots of them."

The baby crawled along the floor towards me, staring with unblinking eyes at my tie. Mason crooned baby talk in her general direction.

I hoisted the infant. Mason hasn't changed. He has shaken Hollywood and is displacing Gable as its king.

I went to dine with Deborah Kerr and her husband Anthony Bartley.

Their house is on Pacific Palisades, on the blue ocean itself. It is a beautiful house, quiet and restful, with a vivid green lawn and floodlit trees.

Again a baby appeared, tottering along the drawing-room floor—Melanie, daughter and pride and joy of the Bartleys.

I went through the knee-hoisting routine and thought this isn't the Hollywood I'd been led to expect.

And after several days here I am stuck with that conclusion.

Hollywood is not what you expect. It is not sinful, sensational, glamorous, or particularly exciting. It is a small, luxurious town of towering palms, riotous red hibiscus, green lawns, bright blue skies, and golden sunshine.

### Films From Belts

It is also a factory town, churning out entertainment from the scattered mass-production belts in Culver City, Burbank, and Beverly Hills itself.

It is a sunset strip with indifferent night clubs mainly filled with tourists and the servants of the stars. It is a Californian town full of lovely girls working as waitresses, shop girls, clerks, maids, cooks, drug-store assistants, and handsome men working as waiters, garage attendants, clerks.

Most of all, it is an artificial town. Almost everyone is putting on an act. The bartender confides to you that he still has his guild card and makes a Martini with elaborate flourishes, but like a real bartender, but like, one in a film.

The elevator girl works the lift with flirtatious ostentation, not like a real lift girl, but like Joan Blondell in a musical.

The head waiter, who resembles Charles Boyer, plays Boyer as he hands you the menu and recommends the roast beef.

Wherever I have been, in hotel lounges, in the stars' homes and the extras' rooming houses, in the swank cafes and the cheap lunch rooms, everyone seemed to be playing a part, playing it with passion, pathos, or light comedy as the occasion seemed to demand.

No one seems to wear a neat blue or grey suit except your columnist. Women are in scarlet slacks and halters, their eyes invisible behind smoked glasses; the men in padded sports coats, Hawaiian shirts, gabardine trousers, their eyes invisible behind smoked glasses.

Perhaps people wear these glasses because they do not care to see what is around them.

Perhaps they are frightened to take a hard, long look at life. For this is a city of dreadful anxiety.

### Names Are Worry

The stars walk in apprehension that they will soon be dimmed. They worry about money, about billing (the size of their names on screens and marquee), about their rivals, their bosses, their wives or husbands, their mistresses or lovers, and about their social status.

The spoiled children of Hollywood are not happy. They live in an earthquake atmosphere. They have to put on a front, flaunt fishtail Cadillacs, swimming pools, big houses, elaborate warblers.

Gossip pollutes the good Californian air. In the space of half an hour at a party the other night I was told that a famous star hadn't yet paid the builder for the extra wing he'd had added to his house two years ago, that another famous star who looks the picture of health had been an alcoholic for years.

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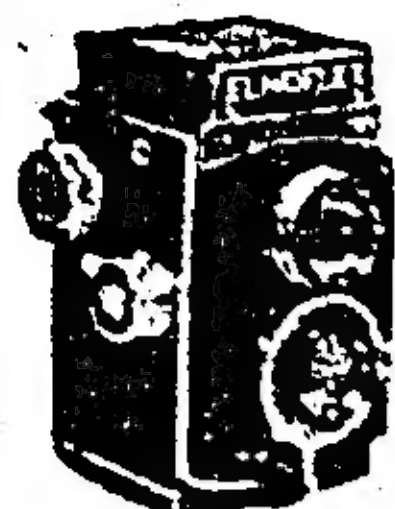
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## DOUBLE TENTH RACE MEETING STARTS TODAY

(By "RAPIER")

The Double Tenth Race Meeting under the auspices of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, will start at Happy Valley this afternoon and will be resumed on Monday, the "Double Tenth" holiday.

Ten events are down for decision today, with no change in the time of starting, but on Monday there will be 12 races and the first bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. with the tiffin interval after the fourth race.

The principal event this afternoon is the Kwangtung Handicap over the mile, a handicap event for all Australian Ponies of 1949 which were classified on July 11, 1949, but only those classified Class 4 will be allowed to start. The sale of Special Cash Sweep tickets reached 2,028,000 at 5 p.m. yesterday and the first prize will be \$916,272.00.

On Monday the Double Tenth Plate will be the main attraction. Given fine weather, a record crowd is expected.

The totalisator will not be in operation at this meeting.

Race No. 1—Pedder Handicap: Five Furlongs.

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Big Bluff, (Mr. Darkin), is capable of winning and it will give Betty Lou a great run it is able to get away quickly, a bad start will ruin its chances.

Happy Farmers, (Mr. Cook), is remarkably fit at the moment and its recent morning gallops have been very convincing. It should be near at the finish.

As an outsider I recommend keeping Mimi (Mr. Thomas) in mind.

Race No. 2—Kwangtung Handicap: One Mile.

This is the main event of the afternoon and Australian Ponies of 1949. Classified Class 4 will participate and the "Special Cash Sweep" will depend on the result.

Among the ponies entered I don't think I shall be far wrong in stating that the winner will come from the following—Harmony (Mr. Matland), Barbarian (Mr. Alexander), Thunder Sky (Mr. Holgate), Empress Delight (Mr. Needa), Ringier (Mr. Renner) and Atomic Power (Mr. H. C. Pih).

Harmony will have Mr. Matland up, and in view of the distance, I consider that it has a good chance of scoring a win here, but there is no doubt it will meet with serious opposition.

Barbarian is running well during morning training and should be considered.

Race No. 3—Nathan Handicap (First Section): Six Furlongs.

This race is for the second lot of Australian Ponies Class 7, and judging from the entries the following should be prominent at the finish: Good News (Mr. Williamson), Kingfisher (Mr. Kwok), National Guard (Mr. Pote-Hunt), Pacific (Mr. Renner) and Flight (Mr. H. S. Chang).

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There is Kingfisher, which was second in the Birmingham Stakes (First Section) over the two mile post at the Whitsun Meeting.

Then there is Thunder Sky, which will be taken out by Mr. Holgate and should be a dangerous contender, as these two form a good combination. Empress Delight, Ringier and Atomic Power are also worth keeping in mind on account of their good form at the moment.

Race No. 4—Nathan Handicap (Second Section): Six Furlongs.

In this race for the first lot of Australian Ponies Class 7, the likely winner should come from one of the following—Sharpshooter (Mr. Holgate), Airfield (Mr. Tao), Kwong Leung (Mr. Shieh), Shatin (Mr. Pote-Hunt) and The Hopeful (Mr. Thomas).

Sharpshooter won the Suffolk Stakes (First Section) over the mile at the Whitsun Meeting with Mr. Darkin up, and it has gone up in weight by 4 lbs. There is little doubt, however, that it can handle this extra weight and still win.

The real danger, however, is Airfield, which is well suited over this distance and with Mr. Tao up this afternoon, it should command the most support.

Kwong Leung, which was third in the Suffolk Stakes (Second Section) at the Whitsun meeting with Mr. Chanson Feng up, must also be considered.

Shatin, ridden by Mr. Cook, ran unplaced in the Birmingham Stakes (Second Section) over the two mile post the last time out. As it will have a change in the jockey department coupled with the shorter distance today, it should be near towards the end.

The Hopeful, with 135 lbs. to handle, is worth following for big money.

Race No. 5—Nathan Handicap (Third Section): Six Furlongs.

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Race No. 6—Des Voeux Handicap (First Section): One and a Quarter Miles.

In this second section of the race for Australian ponies Class 2 an interesting struggle should ensue.

Its fine performance, when it won the Regent's Park Handicap (First Section) over six furlongs at the last meeting with Mr. Chanson up, Pay Day, which will be ridden by Mr. Renner, seems to be the logical bet, but it must be remembered that it will be carrying top weight of 159 lbs.

On that account alone, I cannot place much reliance on Pay Day to win again, and must place the spotlight on Dominion Day (Mr. Hanson).

In the above race, second section, Dominion Day ran very well to take second position. On account of the longer distance coupled with the weight of 148 lbs., I feel that it will win this afternoon.

Monie, (Mr. Shieh), has been showing an improvement in morning gallops and it will probably extend Dominion Day.

Jeep Shing, (Mr. Holgate), is not bad over this distance and can give the above ponies a good fight if it keeps up in the early stages of the race.

ing to be considered. As the distance is more to its liking it should give the above pony a stiff fight to the end.

National Guard, although not having had a win to its credit for a long while, may show up this afternoon.

Pacific should not be disregarded as it is quite capable of causing an upset here.

Flight will also have a say over this distance as it is carrying 142 lbs.

Race No. 7—Nathan Handicap (Fourth Section): Six Furlongs.

Third Section Australian Ponies Class 7 will contest this event and from the entries, I like Good Day (Mr. K. F. Chiu) the best.

This pony has improved a great deal in its morning gallops and should prove the best over this distance.

Shangri-la, (Mr. Holgate), appears capable of extending Good Day, but even with 143 lbs. to carry, Reputation (Mr. Shieh) should have something to say about the finish.

Rifle, (Mr. Pih), and Stirling (Mr. Pote-Hunt), are not to be neglected.

Al Fresco with Mr. S. W. Lee up is also to be considered, as it is essentially a sprinter.

Race No. 8—Des Voeux Handicap (Second Section): One and a Quarter Miles.

This race will be contested by Australian Ponies Class 2, and it is certainly no easy matter to pick out the winner.

The winner will probably be one of the following—Home Builder, (Mr. H. Chang), Rose Emme, (Mr. Ostrumoff), Sunshine (Mr. Alexander) and Lily (Mr. S. W. Lee).

Home Builder, with Mr. Castro up, came third to Pay Day and Pearl Diver at the last meeting in the Regent's Park Handicap (First Section) and, as they come two ponies are not participating.

I believe its prospect of scoring a win rather bright.

Rose Emme certainly looks dangerous in view of its fourth placing in the above race and I expect it will give the above pony a good run.

Lily is another pony which should not be overlooked in spite of the terrible manner in which it let its backers down at the last meeting when it ran unplaced.

Shine is another pony which failed to gain a place the last time out, but may redeem itself if given a runaway start.

Race No. 9—Connaught Handicap (Second Section): One and a Quarter Miles.

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## Army--Commando Clash Best Of Today's First Division Soccer Games

(By "ROVER")

The First Division soccer match between Army and the Commandos at Sookunpo this afternoon should prove to be the best game on the island today, with the Chinese AA and Kowloon Motor Bus match at Boundary Street drawing the crowds on the Mainland.

Of the three First Division matches which are down for decision tomorrow, that between Police and Kit Chee at Boundary Street is likely to provide the most entertaining football.

After getting down unexpectedly to the Police on Saturday last, the Commandos came back strongly in their mid-week game against Club to win by seven goals to one.

The match was a personal triumph for Highton, the Commando centre-forward, who scored all seven goals for his side.

The Army were held to a one-all draw in their game against St. Joseph's, although on the run of the play, they should have won.

Their main weakness was in the forward line and it is in this direction that the soldiers will have to show improvement if they hope to beat the Commandos.

It was particularly noticeable in the Army-St. Joseph's match, that the soldiers kept on sending the ball out to the right wing, although the St. Joseph's defence was much stronger on that side of the field than on the other.

Brown, who was unmarked for most of the time, was completely neglected for lengthy periods.

One Of The Best

Tennet, the lanky Army centre-half, is one of the best players seen in the Colony for quite some time and if he maintains the form which he has shown since his first appearance on the local field, then Highton will have to be at his best if he hopes to get a crack at the Army goal.

A win for the Commandos is predicted.

The game between Chinese AA and Kowloon Motor Bus at Boundary Street should draw a capacity crowd. The busmen, although losing by three clear goals to Kit Chee on Wednesday, still have hopes of gaining honours this season.

They will be starting favourites and if they can manage to field their strongest XI for this match, then they should win with ease.

The Chinese AA, who possess plenty of fighting spirit, are not to be despised, however, and if their defence, which is usually very sound, remains true to form, one cannot altogether be too sure of a win for the KMB.

South China will entertain Club at Caroline Hill. Both these teams have yet to gain a point and in view of the fact that South China possess a more virile forward line than that of Club, the chances are that South China will record their first win of the season.

The crowds will, undoubtedly, flock to Boundary Street tomorrow, where Police, who caused the first big upset of the season by beating the Commandos by six goals to one, will have Kit Chee as their guests.

Rousing Game Expected

A rousing game is expected, with the odds in favour of a comfortable win for Kit Chee. However, Police, like St. Joseph's are always at their best when the opposition is stiffest and it would come as no surprise to see them take a point from the potential champions.

Eastern will be at home to Kwong Wah at Caroline Hill and should follow up their splendid 7-2 win over South China on Thursday with another victory.

The game between St. Joseph's and RAF at Sookunpo is not likely to attract a very large following, it being an almost certainty that the Saints will win with ease, particularly in view of their sparkling performance against Army during mid-week.

The following is the week-end programme:

## AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

The Amateur Golf Championship Competition of Hong Kong will take place today at Fanling.

Owing to certain cancellations, the starting times have been altered as follows:

Old Course A.M. and New Course P.M.  
A.M. P.M.  
8.45-11.15 F. Croves-W.G. Robertson  
9.45-11.15 A.P. Lissman-P.D. Hunter  
10.45-12.15 L. Goldman-W.M. Gray  
11.45-1.15 J.B. Mackie-J.R. Gilliam  
12.45-1.15 K.S. Knapman-R.S.D. Chanter

New Course A.M. and Old Course P.M.  
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9.45-11.15 S.S. Gordon-J.D. Mackie  
10.45-12.15 H.R. Cleland-E.T. McMillan  
11.45-1.15 D.R. Robb-G.D. Carter  
12.45-1.15 S.A. Rowland-F.R. Collins  
1.45-3.15 W.O. Davies-C.H. Scott  
2.45-3.15 F.K. Wallace-T.A. Pearce

To be played on Sunday, October 9:

"FANLING" v "SHANGHAI"  
Old Course  
9.45 D.R. Robb v F.D. Hunter  
10.45 L. Goldman v A.D. Brown  
11.45 W.O. Davies v P. Widup  
12.45 S.G. Pugh v E.T. McMillan  
1.45 C.R.T. Sam v W.G. Robertson  
2.45 J. Bide v P.A. Laroche  
3.45 W.H. Paterson v K.H. Richard

New Course  
9.45 A.P. Lissman v H.R. Cleland  
10.45 J.R. Gilliam v H.M. Snow  
11.45 J.H. McElroy v T.D. Drysdale  
12.45 G. Stewart v W.M. Gray  
1.45 R.E. Heath v T.F.R. Waters  
2.45 J.B. Mackie v T.A. Butler  
3.45 R. Lee v R. Gairdner  
4.45 N.J. Whelpton v C.J. Kotela  
5.45 A.D. Humphreys v W.M. Simmons

Old Course  
1.45 Robb and Lissman v Hunter and Cleland  
1.50 Goldman and Gilliam v Brown and Snow  
1.55 Davies and McElroy v Widup and Drysdale  
2.00 Pugh and Stewart v McMillan and Gray  
2.05 Robb and Mackie v Robertson and Pollock  
2.10 Paterson and Heath v Richard and Waters

2.15 Bide and Mackie v Laroche and Butler  
2.20 Noble and Lee v Hudson and Gairdner  
2.25 de Flina and Whelpton v Hayes and Gray  
2.30 Saunders and Humphreys v Wal and Simmons  
2.35 Singles in the morning, Old and New Courses  
Play on Handicap.

Quick Start

Monteiro swam a brilliant 100. Off to a quick start, he was pushed for the first 50 yards by Lai Tsun's Lau Ping who kept within a foot behind the champion.

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The 220 will see Eastern's Cheong Kin-man against Sonny Monteiro, a race which will be a big show in itself.

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Against Chan, is Eastern's Tsang Ho-fook who swims a beautiful butterfly race. The two will be meeting for the first time.

Cynthia Pagar, will be in the women's 440 yards free style championships. She will struggle with Mamie Leong and Doris Barten for the title which is held by Luckie Rose who is not defending this year.

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A two-bat hit by Jackie Robinson, his first of the series, started the Dodgers on their way in the second innings.

## Monteiro Breaks Record In 100 Yards Free Style

(By KIMBERLEY)

Sonny Monteiro of the VRC caused the first sensation in the Colony Swimming Championships when he swam the semi-final of the 100 yards free style in 55.8 seconds to break the record of 56.2 set by David Hutchinson in 1940.

The record performance was made in drizzling rain and cold wind yesterday at the VRC where the two semi-finals of the sprint events were being decided.

Cheong Kin-man, in winning his heat was timed at 58.2 seconds, and although the Eastern lad will be Monteiro's closest competitor, it seems very unlikely that anything other than a Monteiro victory will come about.

A surprise yesterday was Ng Nin beating the favoured William Teo in the second heat of the 50 yards free style. Ng, former champion and record holder of the event, displayed much of his old form when beating Teo.

He was off on a perfect start and gaining a slight margin from Teo by the time he gave way until he touched the wall first in 25.2. Teo was timed a fraction of a second slower.

George Saunders present champion and record holder for the trouble sprint, returned 25 seconds flat in his heat. The final should see an extremely close race with Saunders, Ng Nin and William Teo racing for the title. It can come to any of the three.

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## All India XI To Play In HK

At the weekly Press Conference, Mr. J. Skinner, Chairman of the Hong Kong Football Association, said that Mr. Razack came from Manila on Friday. Mr. Razack was very perturbed over the Association's inability to cater for the All India football team's visit.

However, arrangements have been made and the All India team will be coming by the end of this month. It is good will tour of the Indian team. Three games have been tentatively fixed for October 29, 30 and November 1.

The Singapore Chinese team will be visiting the Hong Kong team in November to play against the Hong Kong Chinese team for the revival of the Ho Ho Cup. The team will most probably arrive in the Colony on November 5.

For fighting on the football field on Thursday, September 29, Lo Tsun of Taihook and M. Noronha of PCA were suspended to November 6.

## CHAND TARA HOCKEY TEAM

The following will represent the Chand Tara Hockey Association in a hockey match against the Recreo "A" tomorrow at 10.30 a.m. on the Recreo ground (King's Park).

K. Nazir, M. Ali Din, S. S. Dhillon, T. Kikaboy, S. O. Rahman (Captain), L. C. Curry, M. Ali, D. Khan, M. Akbar, M. Y. Alladin and H. S. Dhillon.

Reserves: M. Ahsan and M. Khan.

The above are requested to assemble at the Recreo ground at 9.30 a.m. sharp.

## POLICE HOCKEY TEAM

The following have been selected to represent the Hong Kong Police in their Hockey Association fixture against the Dutch HC at Boundary Street at 10.30 a.m. tomorrow.

G. C. Ness, D. O. Tobbutt, C. Blackboard, Debarra Singh, W.P. Apps, D. Brown, M. H. C. Birch, H. Willson, N. Yusuf, J. R. M. Wail, K. S. Thong, Reserves: V. C. Reynolds, M. C. Hingworth.

## HKFC SOCCER XI

The following will represent the Hong Kong Football Club in a Second Division soccer game against St. Joseph's today at 5 p.m. at the Club Ground.

Caston, Henderson, Strange, Farrelly, Locke, Urquhart, Partridge, Widger, Nelson, McKay, Rogers.

## CRICKET CANCELLED

Owing to the inclement weather, the ground at the Kowloon Cricket Club is unfit for play and today's cricket match has been cancelled.